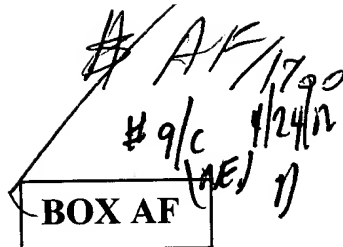


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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

SIR:

Applicants hereby request a 2-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Final Office Action of November 6, 2001. A check in the amount of \$400.00 in payment of the government fee for a 2-month extension of time is enclosed herewith. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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